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LB 441, 168, 380

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move that LB 441 as amended be advanced to E & P for engrossment.

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye, contrary say nay. The bill is advanced.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move the E & R amendments to LB 168 be adopted.

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye, contrary say nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, I now have an amendment offered by Senator Newell. Read amendment. (See page 504, Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, basically this amendment would include public defenders into the statute to receive free statutes similar to a provision that we presently have for county attorneys and so forth and it just creates some equality here between the two parties. There are thirteen public defenders and, basically, the cost, since this bill is already reducing the number of statutes to be given out, it would not be an appreciable increase. In fact, this bill with this amendment would still cost less than our present situation. The annual recurring cost would be about \$325. There are thirteen public defenders and I would urge the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Did you wish to be recognized on the amendment, Senator Cullan?

SENATOR CULLAN: Yes, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I made a mistake earlier in the legislative session by voting against this bill or this amendment that Senator Newell or someone had offered earlier and I recognize my mistake and I wish to correct it at this time. I do believe that the public defenders should be entitled to an extra set of statutes or to a set of statutes just as are the county attorneys. I think that is only fair and so I do support the Newell amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question then is the adoption of the amendment. Record your vote. Please vote. It is 24, 26, record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The amendment carries. Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move that LB 168 as amended be advanced to E & P for engrossment.

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye, contrary say nay. The bill is advanced. LB 380. Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, I will give a note of explanation on the next few bills that will be on Select File. They have been returned for specific E & P amendment and are not subject to other amendments and so I will go through them rather quickly.